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YOUTH CORPS AND INDUSTRIAL MEDICINE  
MAKE LARGE GAINS IN NORTHEAST IN 1950

During 1950, membership in the Northeast Democratic Youth Corps increased from 240,000 to 600,000, and 70 to 80 percent of the local militia forces are corps members. Hospitals, clinics, and first-aid stations serving industrial workers were considerably increased in the Northeast during 1950.

83 percent of the total available labor force of rural women in Kirin Province engaged in agricultural labor during 1950, and 120 women tractor operators were trained. Other provinces reported similar enthusiasm. Large numbers of men were thus released for military service.

A Christian Reform Promotion Committee of 20 members was appointed during a recent meeting of the Executive Committee of the Northeast Christian Council to promote the independence of the Christian movement along the lines being followed in the rest of the country.

NORTHEAST YOUTH CORPS ACTIVE -- Peiping, Jen-min Jih-pao, 10 Jan 51

The Northeast Democratic Youth Corps has been very active during 1950. Membership was increased during the year from 240,000 to 600,000. The corps has been active in all production fields and sociological movements. Its members constitute 70 to 80 percent of the local militia forces. Of the 90 Northeast delegates to the National Convention of Model Laborers, 23 were youth corps members.

In the schools, corps members have been active in modernizing educational practices and raising the standards of study. They have been especially active in the "Aid Korea" Movement, and by word and example, have urged the farm youth to volunteer. In one hsien alone in Kirin Province 3,861 youth corps members volunteered for service in Korea. Women members have eagerly enrolled for life-saving service in Korea.

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GIVES DATA ON INDUSTRIAL MEDICINE -- Peiping, Jen-min Jih-pao, 19 Jan 51

Mukden, 17 January (Hsin-hua) -- The following table shows comparative figures for medical services in industry and mining for 1949 and 1950:

	<u>1949</u>	<u>1950</u>
Sanitation offices	1	4
Hospitals	10	16
Branch hospitals	1	6
Clinics	134	256
First-aid stations	1	41
Sanitation technicians schools	1	7
Industrial infirmaries	--	24
Pharmaceutical plants	--	1

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NORTHEAST CHRISTIANS ORGANIZE REFORM COMMITTEE -- Peiping, Kuang-ming Jih-pao, 16 Jan 51

Mukden, 15 January (Hsin-hua) -- At a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Northeast Christian Council of Protestant Churches held 5-9 January 1951, a Reform Promotion Committee of 20 members was appointed to promote the reform program of the Christian Church in the Northeast in line with the reform program throughout the nation which is intended to break all ties with imperialism. Nine of the committee members were designated as members of the Standing Committee.

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REPORTS ON ADULT WINTER SCHOOLS IN HEILUNGKIANG -- Peiping, Jen-min Jih-pao,  
11 Jan 51

Incomplete reports from 32 hsiens in Heilungkiang Province, up to 20 December 1950, indicated that 8,617 winter adult schools were in operation with an enrollment of 410,331 pupils.

However, a great disparity has been revealed throughout the province in the degree of prevalence and efficiency of these schools. Some of the reasons for this are lack of recognition of the importance of this work on the part of educational leadership cadres, lack of promotional activity to arouse the desire of the people for this type of study, and laxity of leaders in the operation of schools already organized. Another big problem is to find qualified teachers for such a large number of adults as the program envisages. In some areas, 80 percent of the persons attempting the teaching have themselves had no more than 2 years schooling.

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